



## Command Sergeant Major Bradley J. Houston Command Sergeant Major, 15<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion

Command Sgt. Maj. Brad Houston was born in Zanesville, Ohio. He enlisted in the United States Army in July 1989, shortly after graduating from high school. He completed One Station Unit Training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. and was awarded the 21B Military Occupational Specialty (Combat Engineer).

Command Sgt. Maj. Houston has completed tours with the 42<sup>nd</sup> Engineer Company, Berlin, Germany, which included a combat tour in South West Asia in support of Operations Desert Shield and Storm; 307<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, Fort Bragg, N.C.; 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 48<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment, Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.; Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Training, Fort Monroe, Va.; 82<sup>nd</sup> Engineer Battalion, Bamberg, Germany, which included a deployment to Kosovo; 1<sup>st</sup> Engineer Battalion, Fort Riley, Kan., which included a combat tour in Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom; 35<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, Maneuver Support Center NCO Academy / Drill Sergeant School, Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

He is currently serving as the Command Sgt. Maj. for the 15<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion.

Command Sgt. Maj. Houston has held a variety of leadership and staff positions to include: Battalion Command Sergeant Major, Drill Sergeant School Course Chief, First Sergeant, Battalion Operations Sergeant, Platoon Sergeant, United States Army TRADOC Drill Sergeant of the Year, Drill Sergeant, Squad Leader, Team Leader, Demolitions Specialist, and Combat Engineer.

Command Sgt. Maj. Houston is a graduate of the Primary Leadership Development Course, Basic Noncommissioned Officers Course; Advanced Noncommissioned Officers Course; First Sergeant Course, Drill Sergeant School; and Airborne School. He is a graduate of Class #56 of the United States Army Sergeants Major Academy. He has earned an Associates Degree from Central Texas College.

Command Sgt. Maj. Houston's awards and decorations include: Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (5 Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Commendation Medal (5 OLC), Army Achievement Medal (7 OLC), Good Conduct Medal (sixth award), National Defense Service Medal (with Bronze Service Star), NATO Medal, Kosovo Campaign Medal (with Bronze Service Star), Southwest Asia Service Medal (with 2 Bronze Service Stars), Liberation Of Kuwait Medal (Saudi Arabia), Liberation of Kuwait Medal (Kuwait), Army Occupation Medal, Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary and Service Medals, Overseas Service Ribbon (with numeral 3), NCO Professional Development Ribbon (with numeral 4), Army Service Ribbon, Joint Meritorious Unit Award (with 1 OLC), Meritorious Unit Award, Valorous Unit Award, Parachutist Badge, Drill Sergeant Badge, French Commando Badge and the Combat Action Badge. He is a member of the prestigious Sergeant Audie Murphy and Sergeant Morales Club and is also a recipient of the Army Engineer Association's Bronze de Fleury Medal.

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